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## PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

## UNITED STATES.

AMENDMENT TO QUARANTINE REGULATIONS.

[Department Circular No. 24, 1906, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, February 28, 1906.

To national, State, and local quarantine officers, collectors of customs, shipowners and agents, and others concerned:

Paragraph 68(c), Quarantine Regulations of 1903, as amended by Department Circular No. 30, March 30, 1904, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Paragraph 68(c): If arriving at a port south of the southern boundary of Maryland in the season of close quarantine, March 15 to November 1, directly or via a northern port, from a tropical American port, unless said port is known to be free from yellow fever.

The effect of this amendment is to cause the close-quarantine season to begin March 15 instead of April 1 with regard to vessels from ports known or suspected of being infected with yellow fever and arriving at southern ports either direct or via northern ports.

L. M. Shaw, Secretary.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Report from Vanceboro, Me.—Precautions taken on Canadian border to prevent importation of smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Young reports, February 19, as follows: During the week ended February 18, 1906, 18 passenger trains, 15 freight trains, and 720 passengers were inspected; 26 passengers were vaccinated, 6 pieces of baggage were disinfected, and admission was refused to 4 persons known to have been exposed to smallpox infection and who refused vaccination and disinfection. The increased number of vaccinations is due to the extension of the epidemic to Westfield, Welsford, Clone, and Peterboro, all closely connected with the Canadian Pacific Railway line between Fredericton Junction and St. John.

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